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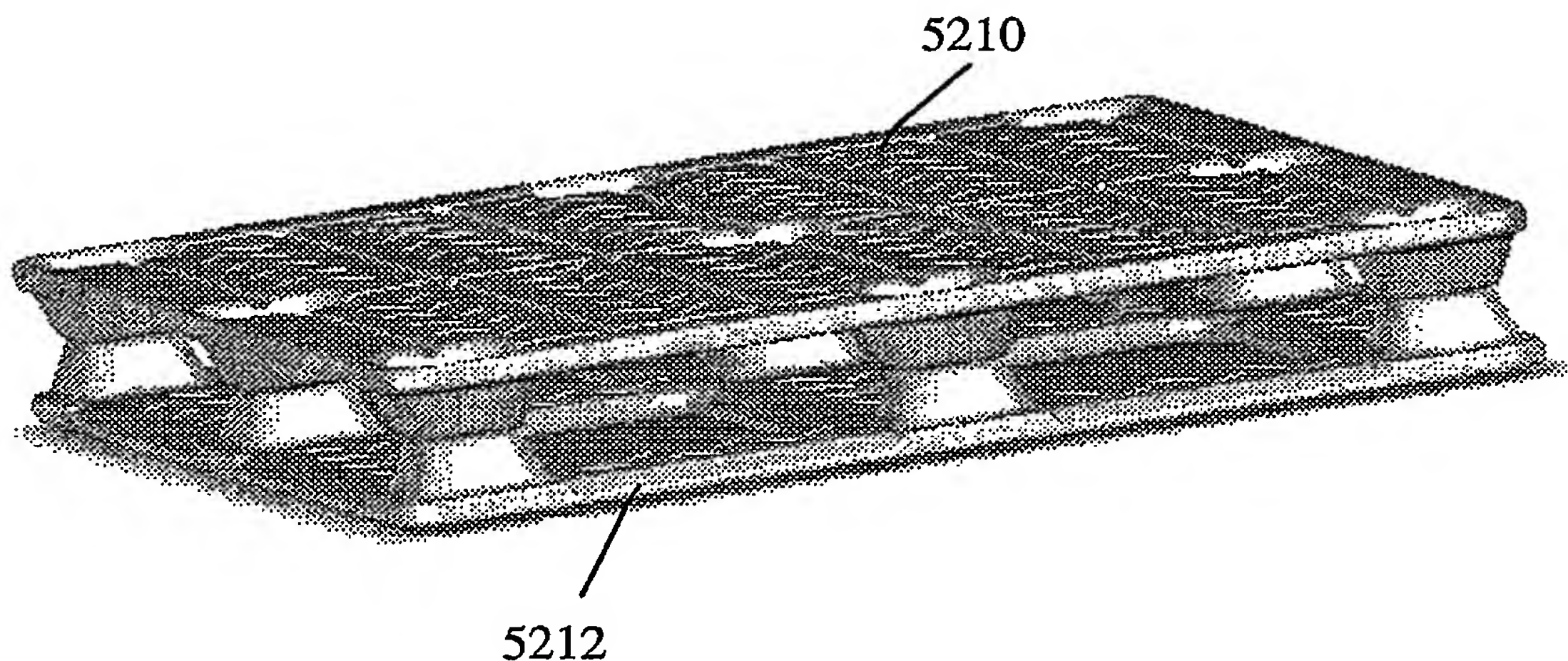
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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to load-carrying apparatus, for example pallets and shipping containers, rotationally moulded from a plastics material filled with a mineral filler. Methods and apparatus for manufacturing the load-carrying apparatus are also described. In one embodiment, the load-carrying apparatus comprises a pallet formed in two halves (5210, 5212) as two pallet elements. The plastic, rotationally moulded pallet elements form a nested configuration when stacked in the same orientation, but interlock to form a double-sided pallet when one of the pallet elements is inverted.

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